



State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations GUBERNATORIAL PROCLAMATION

Lakes Appreciation Month

WHEREAS, lakes and reservoirs are among Rhode Island's most valuable natural resources; and

WHEREAS, lakes and reservoirs provide drinking water, irrigation, energy, recreation, scenic beauty, and habitat for wildlife; and

WHEREAS, these beneficial uses have been of vital importance to Rhode Island's history, growth, and financial health; and

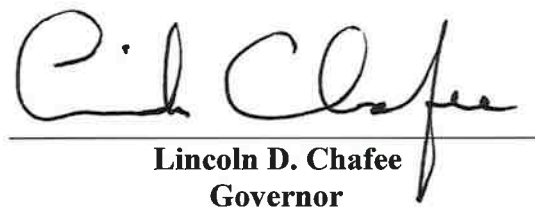
WHEREAS, our lakes and reservoirs improve the quality of life for all of Rhode Island's residents and their importance should not go unnoticed; and

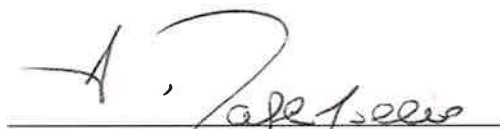
WHEREAS, the State of Rhode Island recognizes the need to protect these lakes and reservoirs for future generations; and

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Lincoln D. Chafee, Governor of the State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations, do hereby proclaim July 2012 as Lakes Appreciation Month and encourage all citizens to join me in recognizing the importance of this month.



Given under my hand and the great
seal of the State of Rhode Island
this 29th day of June, 2012


Lincoln D. Chafee
Governor


A. Ralph Mollis
Secretary of State